

OFFICE OF THE ASSAM INFORMATION COMMISSION JONAKEE COMPLEX, PANJABARI, GUWAHATI-781 037

Case No. : **KP(M) 174/2014**

Complainant/ appellant :Sri Jarbom Kutum

Respondent :Directorate of WPT&BC Department

Date of hearing : **08-06-2016**

Complaint/ Second : Shri H.S. Das, IAS (Retd)

appeal heard by Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER

The petitioner Sri Jarbom Kutum is absent without any information. The public authority is represented by:- (1) Sri Gobin Ch. Mili, SPIO and Joint Director, of the office of Directorate of WPT&BC and (2) Sri Mohon Ch. Hazarika, Sr. Asstt. of the same office.

The complaint petition dated 20-1-2014 is taken up for hearing ex-parte in the absence of the petitioner.

From perusal of the case records it is seen that the petitioner filed an RTI petition dated 4-10-2013 before the SPIO of the office of Directorate of WPT&BC Department seeking information on amount of money that was received from the Union Government under Article 275 of the Constitution of India for the welfare of Plains Tribes of Assam since 2005 and how much amount was spent in Lakhimpur and Dhemaji districts from 2005 till the date of RTI application.

The public authority has submitted a copy of their letter dated 6-6-2016 addressed to the petitioner, furnishing the required information.

This Commission observes that the information has been furnished much after the prescribed time limit of 30 days were over. The representatives of WPT&BC deposed that the concerned Dealing Assistant did not hand over the RTI petition to any one else and went on long leave after he was inflicted with Cancer..

In the absence of the petitioner, it could not be ascertained whether he would like to pursue his complaint petition dated 20-1-2014 after receipt of the information sent to him by the Joint Director and SPIO of WPT&BC vide their letter dated 6-6-2016.

His complaint petition dated 20-1-2014 is therefore, disposed of with a direction to the WPT & BC Department to avoid any delay in responding to RTI petitions in future.

Sd/-(H. S. Das) Chief Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

Authenticated true copy.
Sd/Registrar
Assam Information Commission

Copy to:

- 1. Sri Gobin Ch. Mili, SPIO and Joint Director, of the office of Directorate of WPT&BC for information & necessary action.
- 2. Sri Jarbom Kutum , Citizen, Opposite Intrenational Hospital, Ganeshguri, Christian Basti, Guwahati-5 for information.
- 3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 4. Office File.
- 5. Order Book.

Registrar Assam Information Commission